

PALAMEDEA CORNUTA.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum conicum, mandibula superiore adunca.

Nares ovatae.

Pedes tetradactyli, fissi.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

PALAMEDEA nigra, subtus alba, alulis bispinosis, fronte cornuta.

PALAMEDEA cornuta. P. alulis bispinosis fronteque cornuta.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 232.

Grallæ.

Avem grandem et magnificam depinximus in America Australi calidiori generatam, locorum, ut plurimum, paludosorum incolam, variorum reptilium praedatricem. Præcipue eam insignit cornu quasi callosum et acuminatum, e fronte assurgens in altitudinem trium seu quatuor unciarum. Alta est ipsa avis circiter quatuor pedes. E rarioribus est quæ *Grallæ* nominantur, nec sæpe in Europam invexitur. Vocem emittere dicitur raucam et clamosam.



THE
HORNED SCREAMER.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill conic, bending down at the point.

Nostrils ovate.

Feet tetradscale, divided.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Black SCREAMER, white beneath, with two spines at each shoulder, and slender frontal horn.

Anhima.

Will. orn. p. 276. pl. 47.

Le Kamichy.

Buff. ois. 7. p. 335. pl. 18.
Pl. Enl. 451.

The large and stately bird here represented is a native of the hotter parts of South America, residing in marshy places, and feeding principally on various kinds of reptiles: its most striking external character is the upright callous process or pointed horn on the top of the head, which rises to the

height of three or four inches. The general height of the bird is about four feet. It is one of the rarest of the *Graalæ*, and is but seldom imported into the European continent. Its voice is said to resemble a harsh scream.